

## Commanding General's Safety Statement

As we encounter the increased demands and challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, it is imperative that we maximize every available opportunity to preserve Marine Corps assets, both human and material. While the mission of LOGCOM is focused on the Life Cycle Management of the material needs of our Corps, we must be even more concerned with the safety and well being of our Marines, sailors, Civilian-Marines, and their families who are our most precious resources within the Command and our Corps.

The Marine Corps Executive Safety Board published the Marine Corps Safety Campaign Plan identifying specific goals to improve the mishap rates in our Corps. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld has challenged our Corps to reduce mishaps by 50% by 2005. Leadership, training and accountability are the tools we will employ to reduce the tragic and needless loss of life. We will rely on sound, focused, and diligent leadership of our commanders, supervisors and small unit leaders to reduce mishaps and increase our mission readiness. LOGCOM leaders at every level are expected to implement and support Operational Risk Management (ORM) and the other Marine Corps Safety and Occupational Health Programs.

We will intertwine safety with operations in such a way that risk management and safety are integral parts of each mission, exercise and daily evolution, both on and off duty. The safety program belongs to every Marine, Sailor and Civilian Marine, and through teamwork we can ensure that we are operating safely at all times.

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